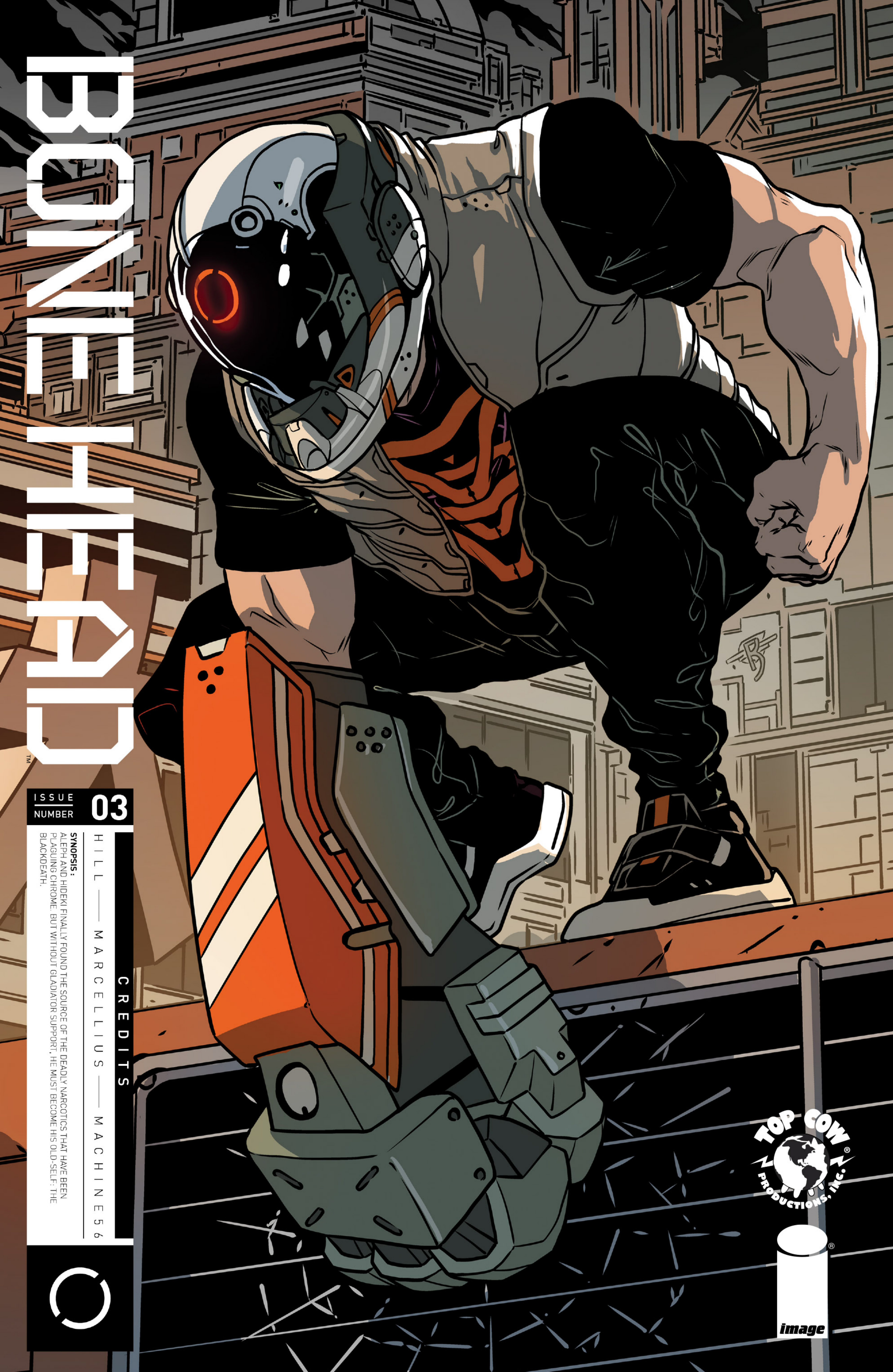




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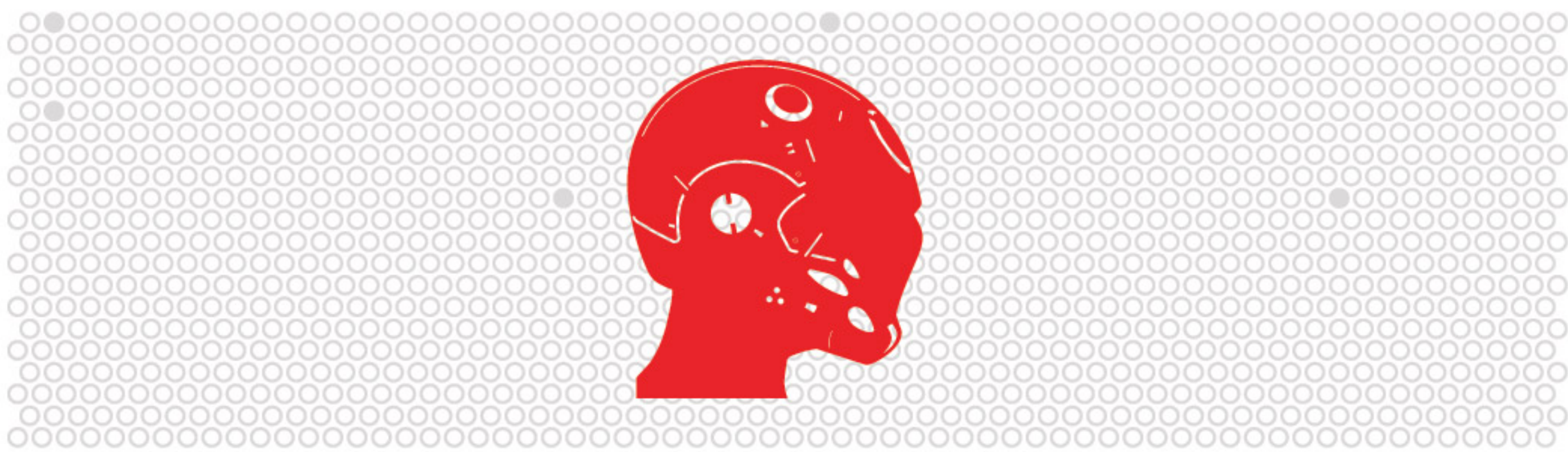


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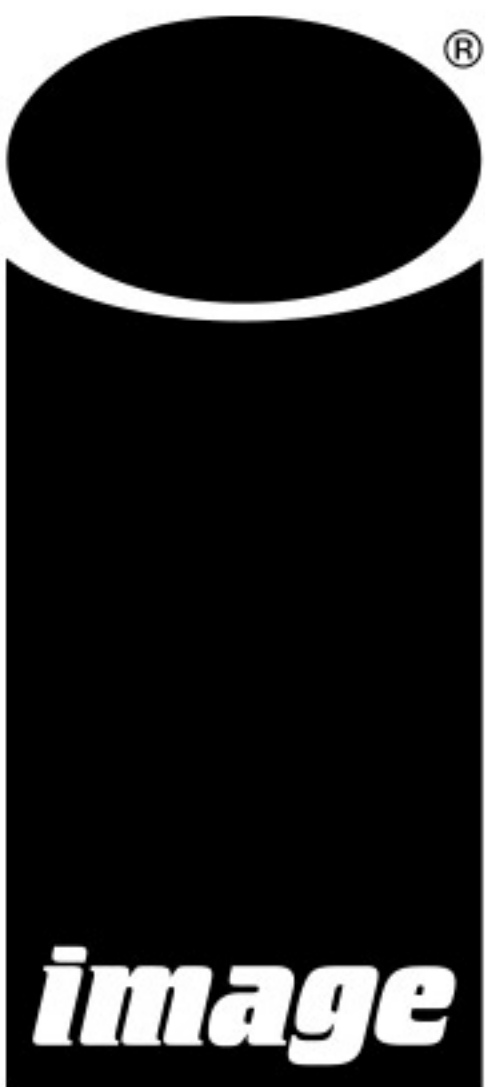


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THE GLADIATOR'S HEADQUARTERS



"VIVID IS EUPHORIA, SIR. THEY KEEP UPGRADING THE DRUGS AND TURNED IT INTO SOMETHING MUCH DARKER."

"IT DOESN'T TAKE SCIENCE MUCH TIME TO EMBRACE CRIMINALITY. THEY CALL IT 'VVD.' AND IT'S DANGEROUS."

"HOW DANGEROUS?"



WHEN I FOUND HER SHE WASN'T AS BAD AS MOST OF THEM, BUT THEY ALWAYS GET THERE.

THIS DRUG IS LIKE GRAVITY. IT ALWAYS DOES THE SAME THING.

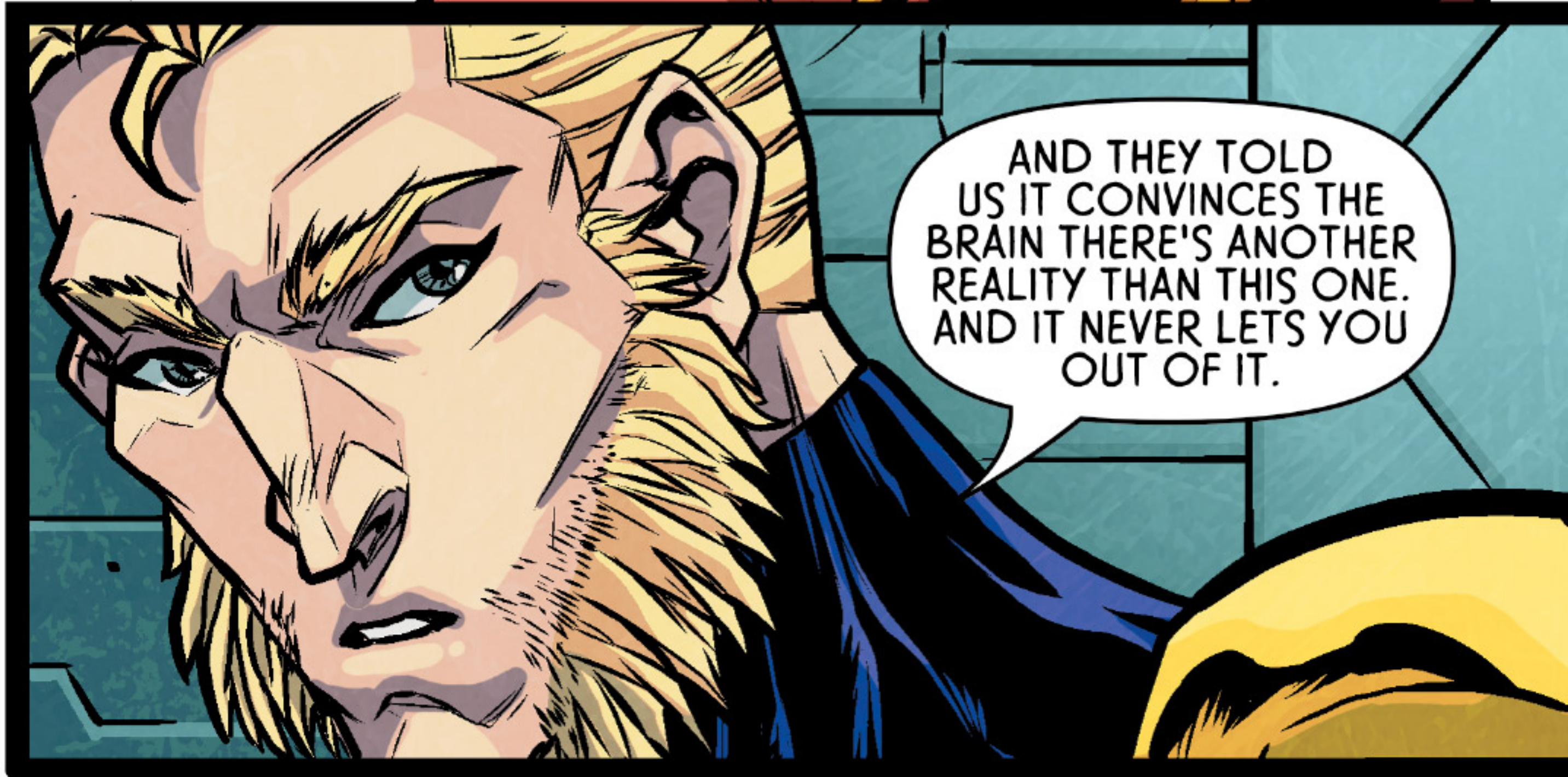
TAKE ME TO HER.



THERE'S NOT MUCH TO SEE, SIR. SHE'S SEMI LUCID. BARELY KNOWS ANYONE IS IN THE ROOM WITH HER. WE BROUGHT HER IN SO MEDICAL COULD ANALYZE HER AND UNDERSTAND WHAT VVD DOES.

WHAT SOME PEOPLE HAVE DONE WITH OUR TECHNOLOGY.

AND?

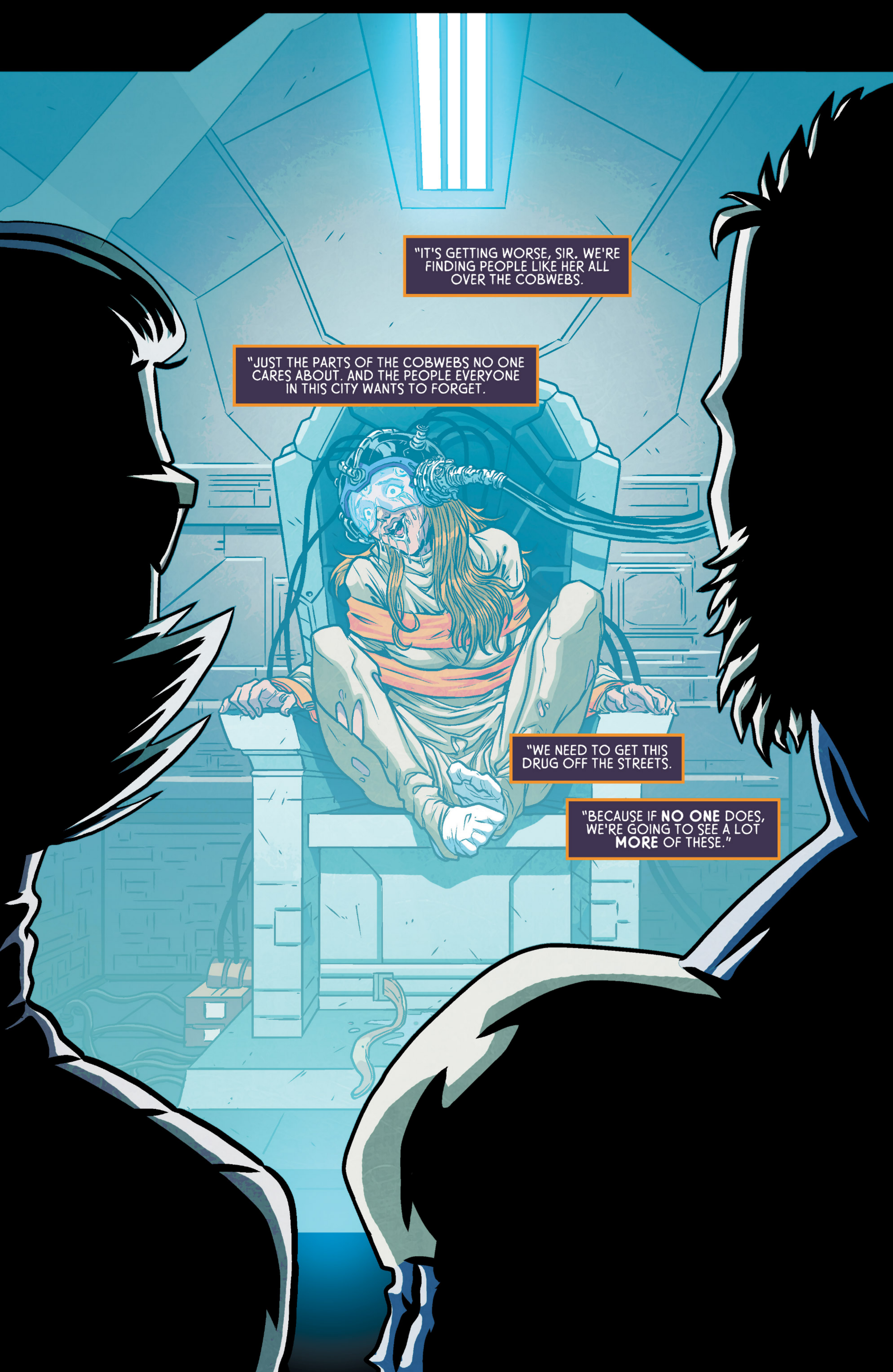


AND THEY TOLD US IT CONVINCES THE BRAIN THERE'S ANOTHER REALITY THAN THIS ONE. AND IT NEVER LETS YOU OUT OF IT.



OKAY, OKAY, I GOT IT. JUST TAKE ME TO HER.

"TOSHIRO NOBATA"
CHIEF GLADIATOR 13

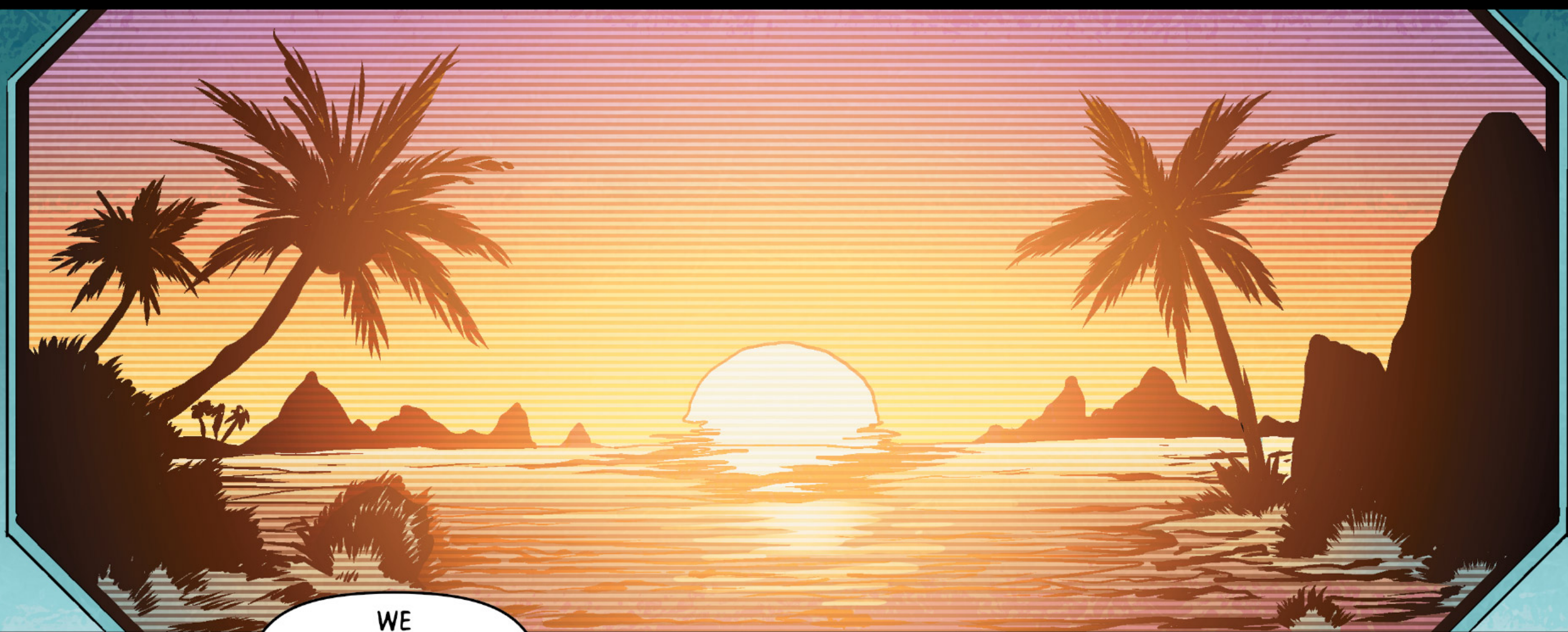


"IT'S GETTING WORSE, SIR. WE'RE FINDING PEOPLE LIKE HER ALL OVER THE COBWEBS."

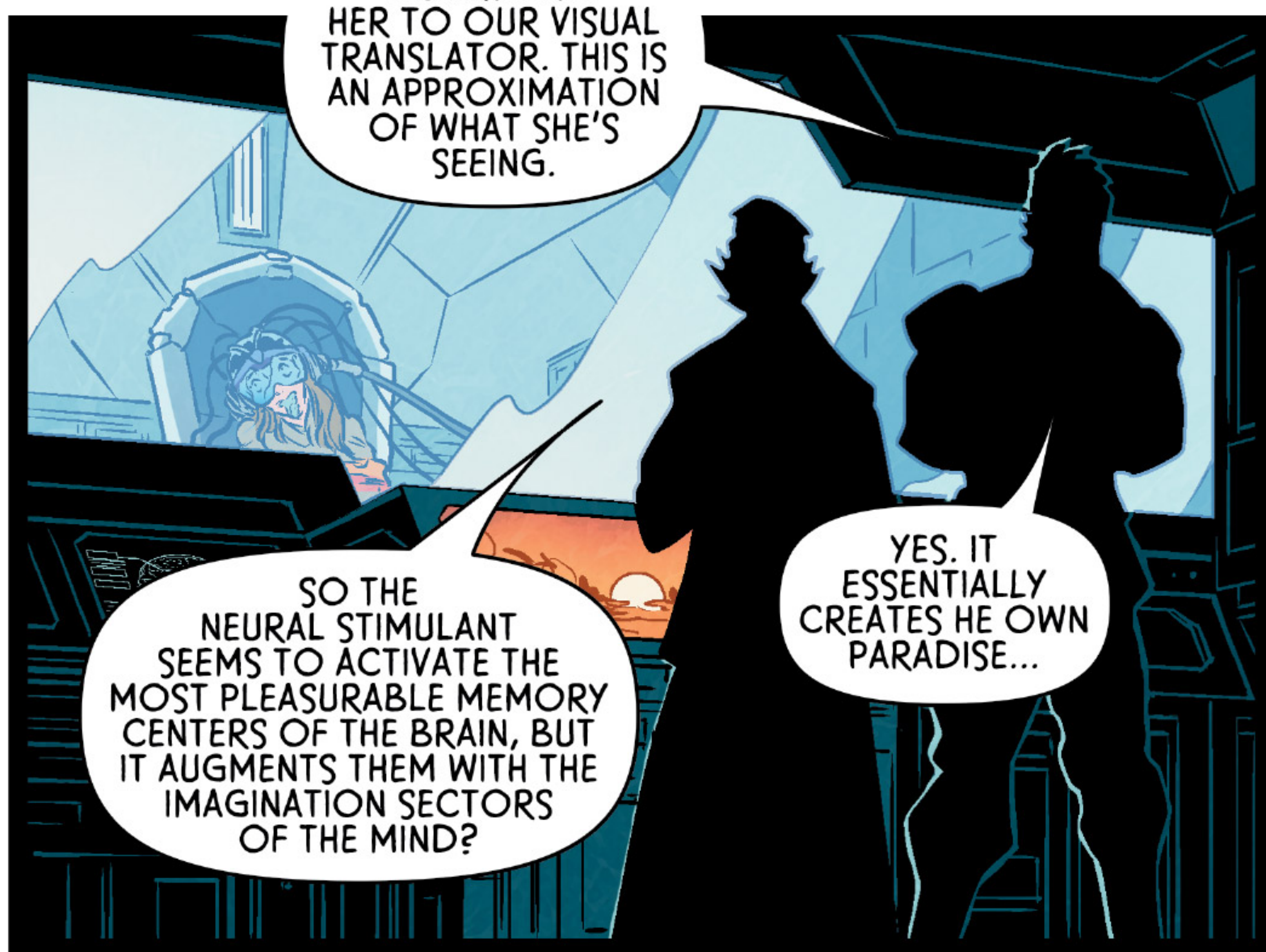
"JUST THE PARTS OF THE COBWEBS NO ONE CARES ABOUT. AND THE PEOPLE EVERYONE IN THIS CITY WANTS TO FORGET."

"WE NEED TO GET THIS DRUG OFF THE STREETS."

"BECAUSE IF NO ONE DOES, WE'RE GOING TO SEE A LOT MORE OF THESE."



WE
CONNECTED
HER TO OUR VISUAL
TRANSLATOR. THIS IS
AN APPROXIMATION
OF WHAT SHE'S
SEEING.



SO THE
NEURAL STIMULANT
SEEMS TO ACTIVATE THE
MOST PLEASURABLE MEMORY
CENTERS OF THE BRAIN, BUT
IT AUGMENTS THEM WITH THE
IMAGINATION SECTORS
OF THE MIND?

YES. IT
ESSENTIALLY
CREATES HE OWN
PARADISE...



...BUT
IT WON'T
LET YOU
LEAVE IT.

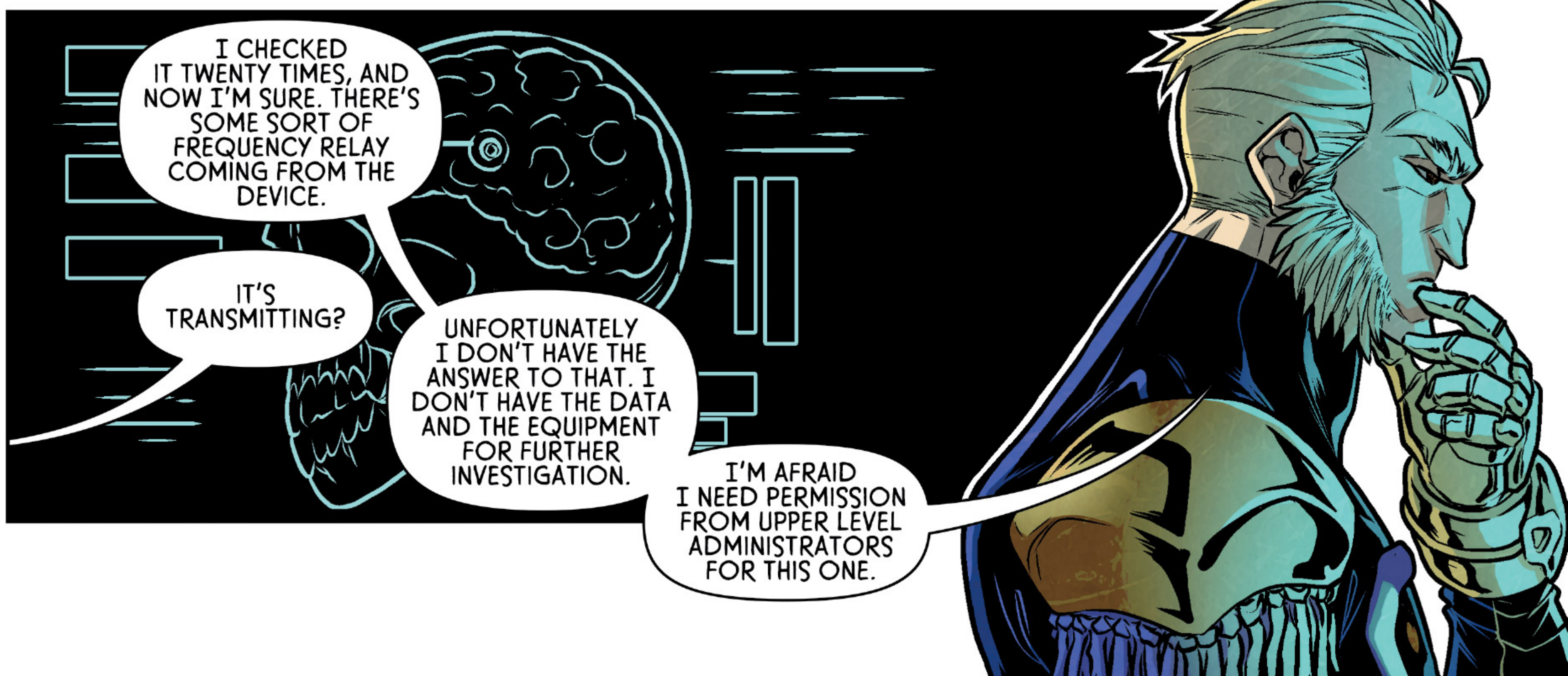
WARM...

SUMMER...

DAY...



NO WONDER
PEOPLE CALL THEM
"THE MINDLESS." AFTER
PROLONGED EXPOSURE,
YOU TAKE ON A
VEGETATIVE STATE.
LIKE HER.

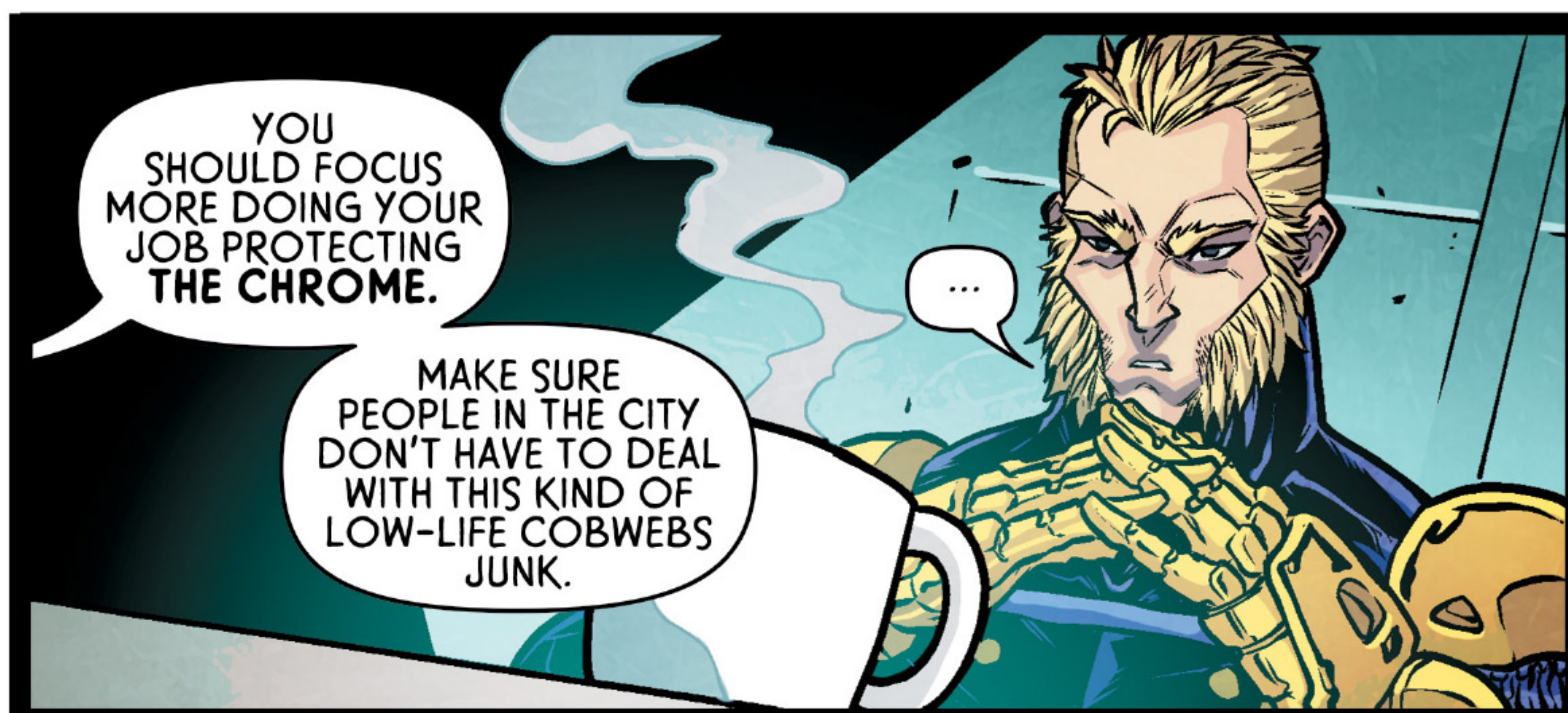
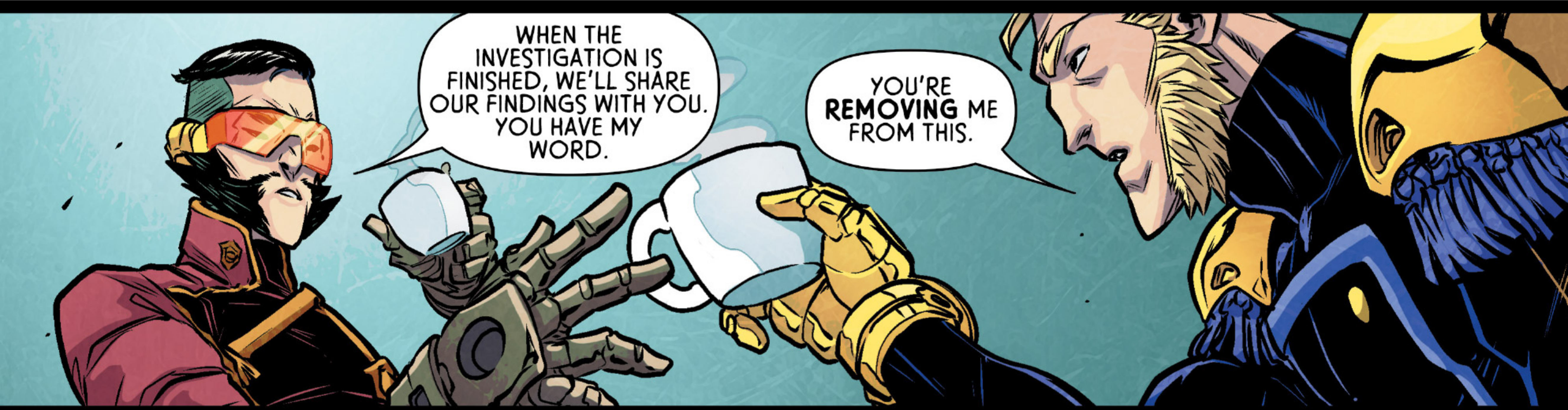


I CHECKED
IT TWENTY TIMES, AND
NOW I'M SURE. THERE'S
SOME SORT OF
FREQUENCY RELAY
COMING FROM THE
DEVICE.

IT'S
TRANSMITTING?

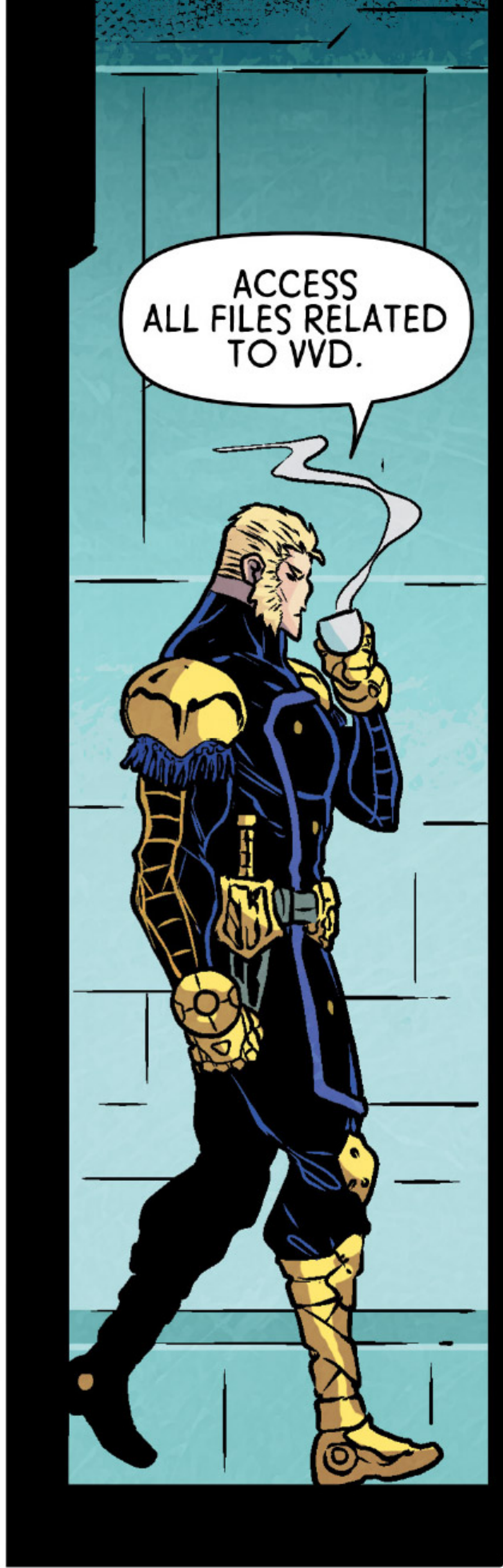
UNFORTUNATELY
I DON'T HAVE THE
ANSWER TO THAT. I
DON'T HAVE THE DATA
AND THE EQUIPMENT
FOR FURTHER
INVESTIGATION.

I'M AFRAID
I NEED PERMISSION
FROM UPPER LEVEL
ADMINISTRATORS
FOR THIS ONE.

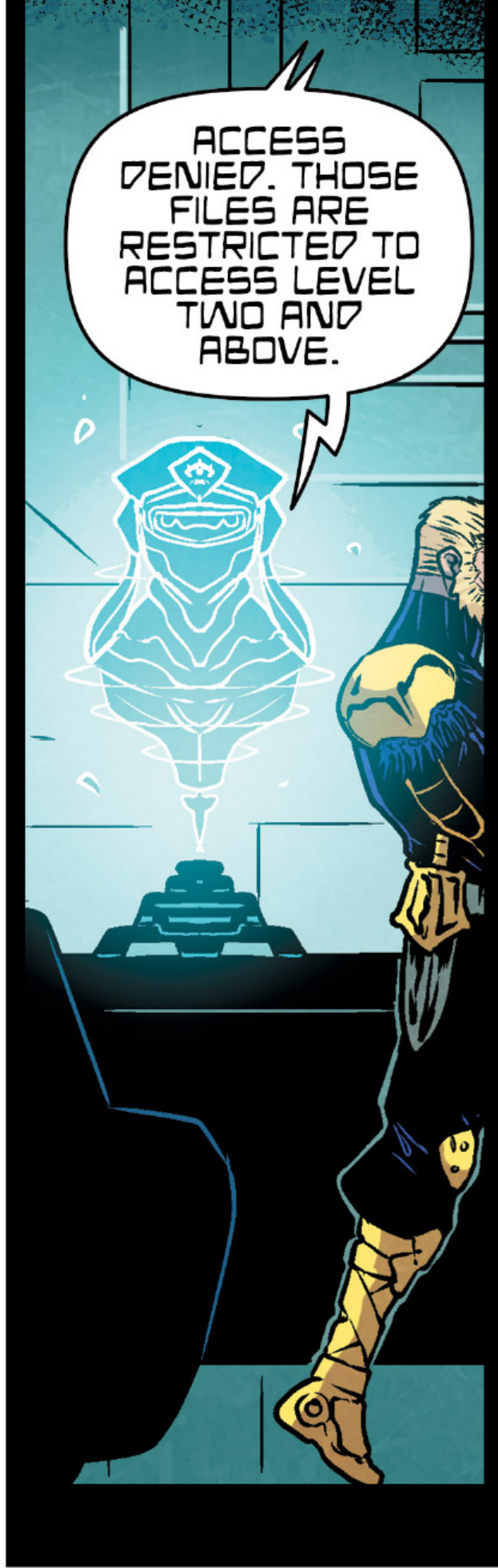




ACCESS
ALL FILES RELATED
TO VVD.



ACCESS
DENIED. THOSE
FILES ARE
RESTRICTED TO
ACCESS LEVEL
TWO AND
ABOVE.

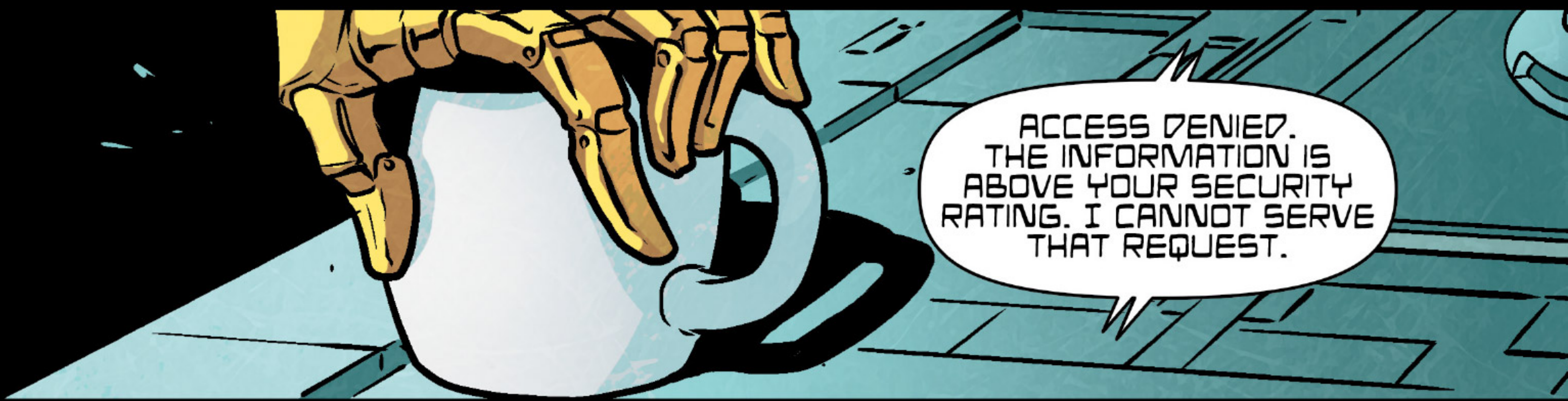


FINE.

GATHER ALL
INFORMATION ABOUT
EUPHORIA OR OTHER
DRUGS CIRCULATING
ON THE COBWEBS.



ACCESS DENIED.
THE INFORMATION IS
ABOVE YOUR SECURITY
RATING. I CANNOT SERVE
THAT REQUEST.



DAMMIT!

TELL
ME...

WHAT
SHOULD I
DO?



DETECTIVE
HIDEKI, YOU HAVE
AN INCOMING
CALL.



HIDEKI!
OK, LOOK, I'M JUST
GONNA CUT TO THE
CHASE HERE, I HAVE
SOME BAD NEWS AND
GOOD NEWS.

BAD NEWS
IS THIS DRUG YOU
BROUGHT IS MUCH
TOUGHER THAN I
EXPECTED TO BE. I'M
AFRAID I NEED MORE
TIME TO CRACK THE
WHOLE SYSTEM...

...BUT THE
GOOD NEWS
IS...I BELIEVE I CAN
TRACK DOWN WHERE
THE DRUG CAME
FROM.

BUT
HOW?

HEHE...
SO I GUESS
YOUR BROTHER HERE
IS NOT USELESS AFTER
ALL, EH?

I FOUND
SOMETHING QUITE
EXTRAORDINARY WHEN
THIS VVD THINGY IS
ACTIVATED.

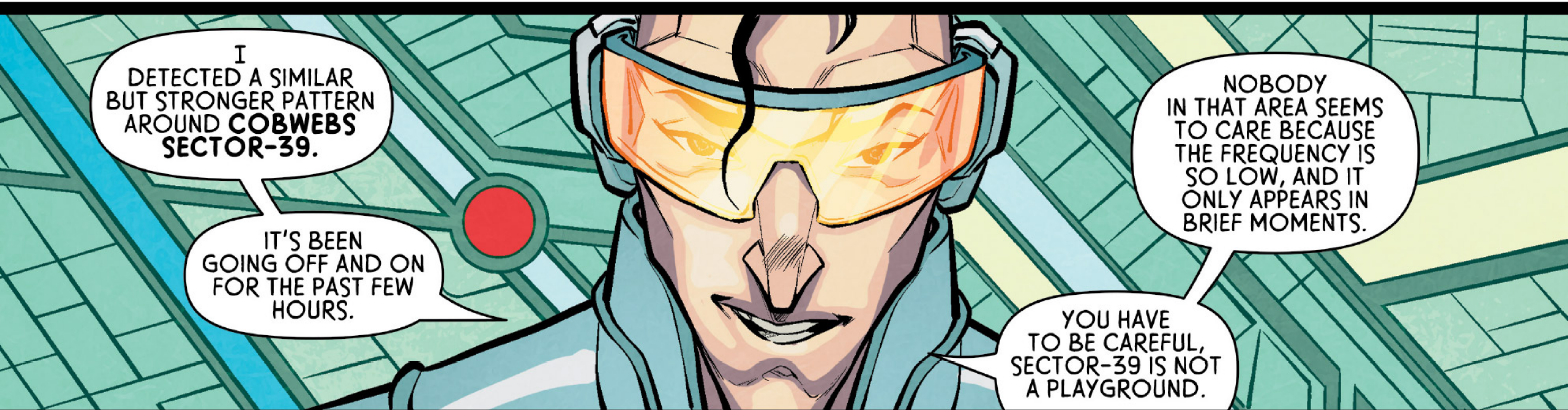
MY PROGRAM
CAUGHT A CONSTANT
LOW-FREQUENCY
OUTPUT FOR A FEW
SECONDS--OR A
PATTERN.

...

IT'S PRETTY
ELUSIVE, I HAVE
TO TELL YOU. EVEN
MY MACHINE BARELY
READ IT THE FIRST
TIME.

NOW THAT
I HAVE SOME
SAMPLES, I CAN
PINPOINT THE
SOURCE.

FIP!



I
DETECTED A SIMILAR
BUT STRONGER PATTERN
AROUND **COBWEBS**
SECTOR-39.

IT'S BEEN
GOING OFF AND ON
FOR THE PAST FEW
HOURS.

NOBODY
IN THAT AREA SEEMS
TO CARE BECAUSE
THE FREQUENCY IS
SO LOW, AND IT
ONLY APPEARS IN
BRIEF MOMENTS.

YOU HAVE
TO BE CAREFUL,
SECTOR-39 IS NOT
A PLAYGROUND.

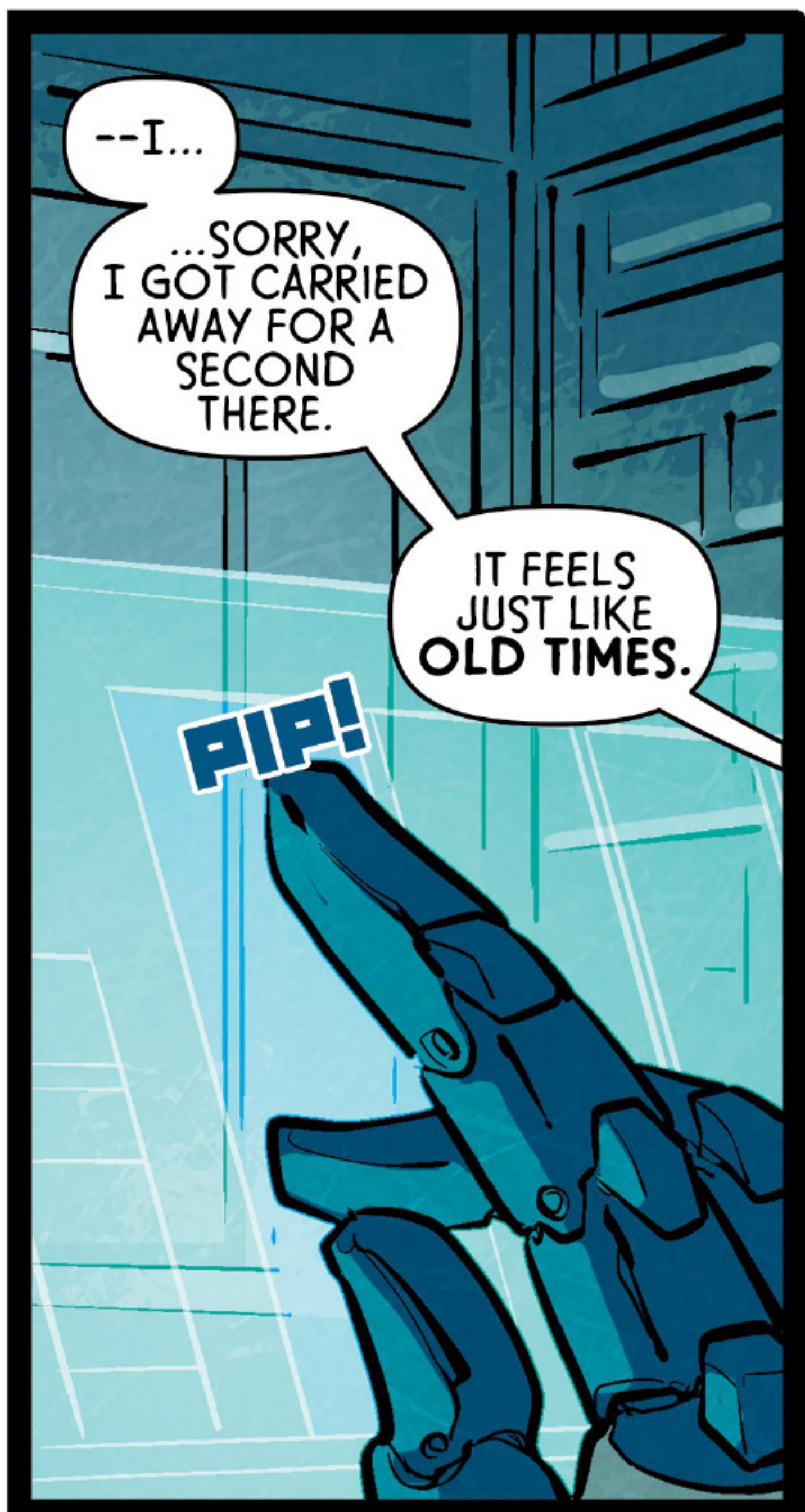


I
UNDERSTAND.



AND
I NEED YOU
YOU TO BE WELL
PREPARED,
HIDEKI.

I CAN
PROVIDE YOU
WITH WHATEVER YOU
NEED WHENEVER
YOU'RE READY TO
PUT ON THE
HELMET--



--I...

...SORRY,
I GOT CARRIED
AWAY FOR A
SECOND
THERE.

IT FEELS
JUST LIKE
OLD TIMES.

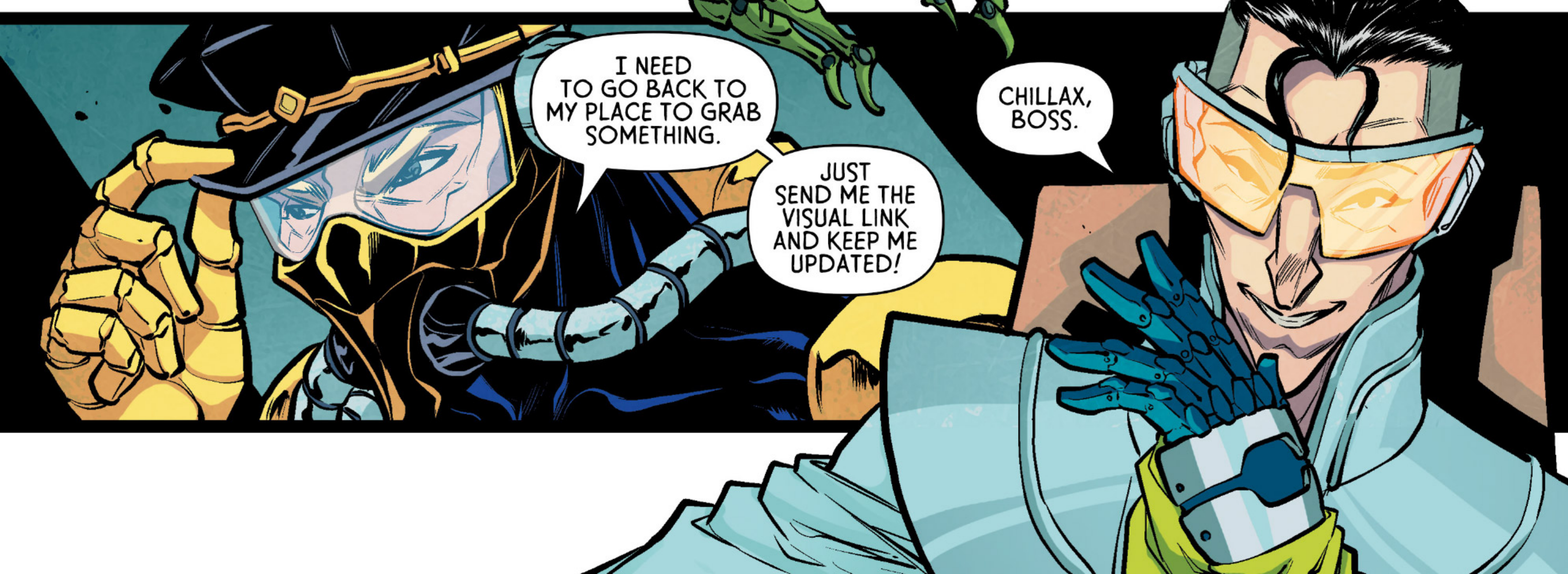
PIP!



"I ALREADY SENT MY DRONE TO
PINPOINT THE SIGNAL BEFORE I
CALLED YOU..."

"...IT'S NOW IN POSITION.
I HAVE A VISUAL LINK TO
MAKE SURE YOU HAVE THE
BEST ROUTE IN AND OUT."

"WELL DONE, ALEPH."



I NEED
TO GO BACK TO
MY PLACE TO GRAB
SOMETHING.

JUST
SEND ME THE
VISUAL LINK
AND KEEP ME
UPDATED!

CHILLAX,
BOSS.

COBWEBS

SECTOR-44

THREAT LEVEL: UNKNOWN

- PILLARWOOD. THE KINGS' TERRITORY.
- SLUM AREA/JUNKYARD OF THE COBWEBS.
- A LARGE INHABITANT SETTLEMENT AREA FOR DISPOSING CONSTRUCTION WASTE.

"56 IS MEETING HIS FRIENDS. YEP, HE'S MAKING FRIENDS NOW."

"I'M A PROUD PARENT."

yo!

I'M GLAD YOU CAME. I THOUGHT YOU WERE LYIN' WHEN YOU SAID YOUR BONEHEAD I.D. IS "56"!

BY THE WAY, THESE ARE THE FRIENDS I WANTED YOU TO MEET!

GUYS, MEET--

NO.

I'M THE ONE WHO WANTS TO MEET YOU.



I'M TYRANT.
I AM THE KING
OF KINGS.

PJ
TOLD ME
YOU MOVE
LIKE HIM--

--BLACKDEATH.

YEEEP!
HE'S SO GOOOD!
HIS MOVES OUT THERE
ARE UNBELIEVABLE!
HIS SPEED, RUNNING,
CLIMBING, SWINGING,
JUMPING--

THEN
SHOW
ME.

WAIT--
WHAT?!

I'M SURE
YOU LIKE TO
SHOW OFF. HOW
'BOUT WE PLAY
A GAME?

...

10:00

56

TYRANT

THE
RULE IS SIMPLE:
WHOEVER HAS THE
BALL IN HAND AFTER
TEN MINUTES IS
THE CHAMP!

IT'S A
NO-HOLDS-BARRED
CONTEST. ANYTHING
GOES!



GRAB AND PROTECT!

TEST YOUR STRENGTH!

KNOCK OUT YOUR ENEMY.



V S



TIME LIMIT: 10 MIN.

TEST YOUR BALANCE!

DON'T TOUCH THE GROUND.





YOU SNEAKY LITTLE MONKEY!

THAT'S THE BEST YOU GOT?!

I'M A LITTLE DISAPPOINTED---

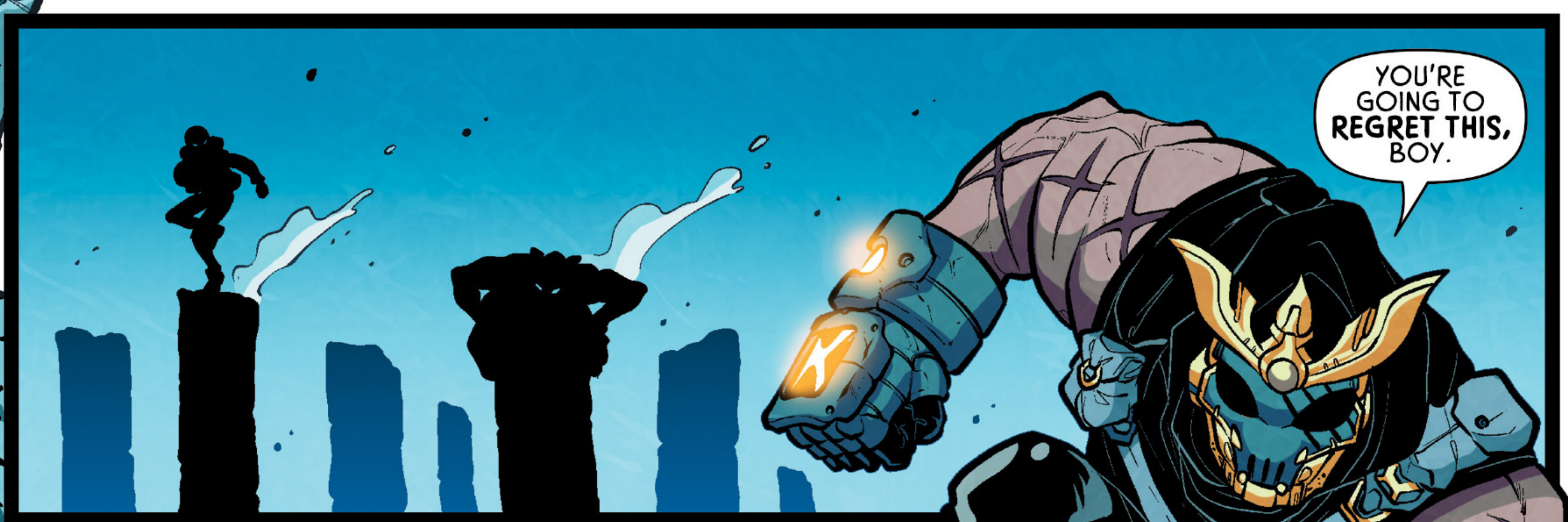
NO, NO, NO, NOT SO FAST!

--HERE, LET ME TEACH YOU!

IT'S MY TURN NOW!



YOU SONUVA--



YOU'RE GOING TO REGRET THIS, BOY.



OH S#@%!
OH S#@%!
IT'S GETTING SERIOUS!
I'M GETTING GOOSEBUMPS!

OH, NO...

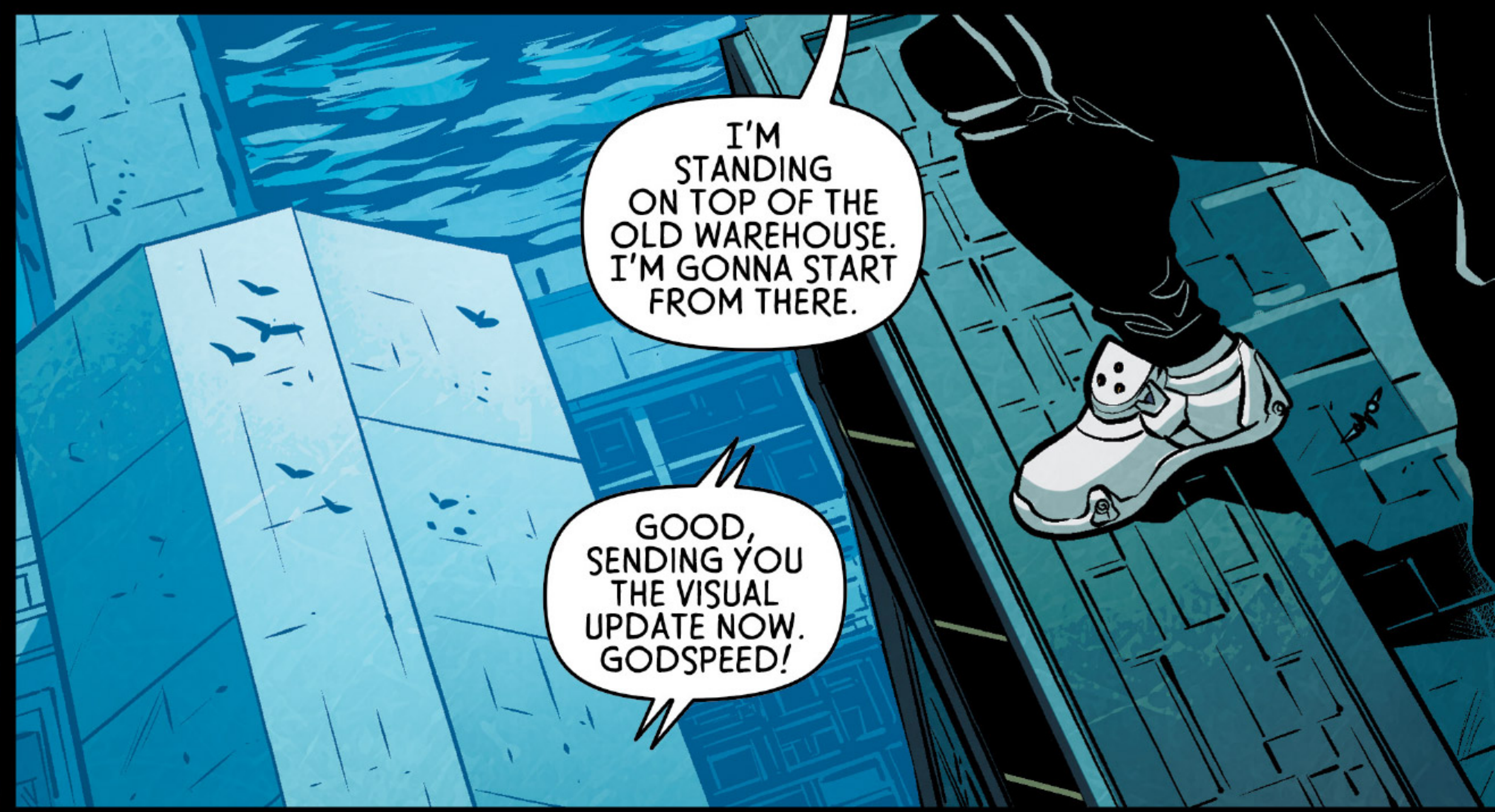
HE'S LEGIT MAKING TYRANT PISSED.
THE KID'S DONE.

MAN, AND HERE I THOUGHT WE WERE GOING TO HAVE A NEW MEMBER.



YOU'RE IN THE RIGHT POSITION. THE FREQUENCY IS DEFINITELY FROM THIS AREA.

LET ME KNOW IF YOU FIND ANYTHING SUSPICIOUS.



I'M STANDING ON TOP OF THE OLD WAREHOUSE. I'M GONNA START FROM THERE.

GOOD, SENDING YOU THE VISUAL UPDATE NOW. GODSPEED!



I'M GOING IN.

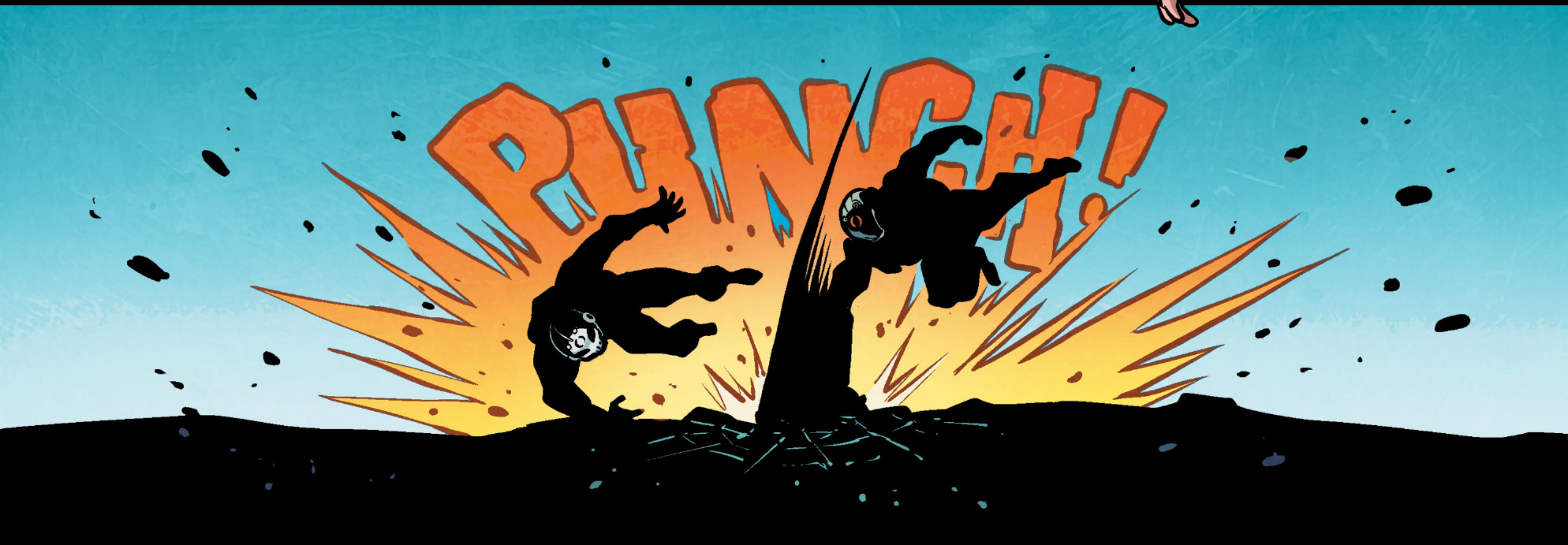
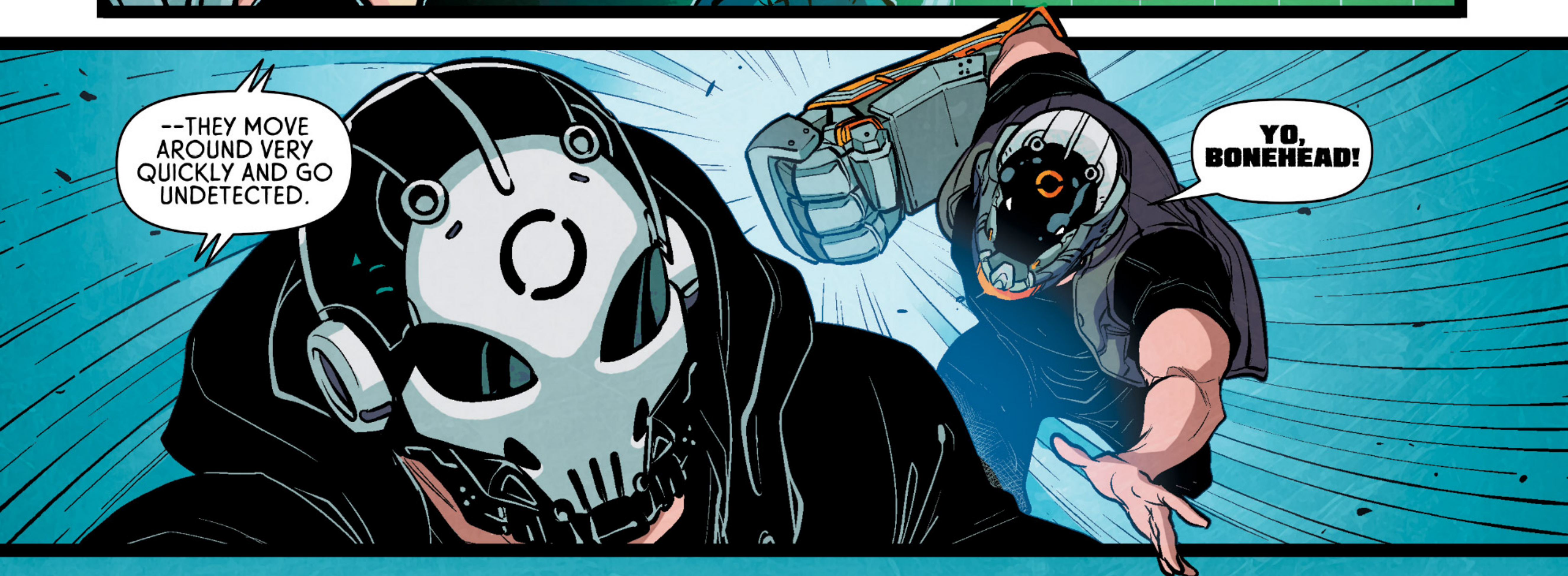
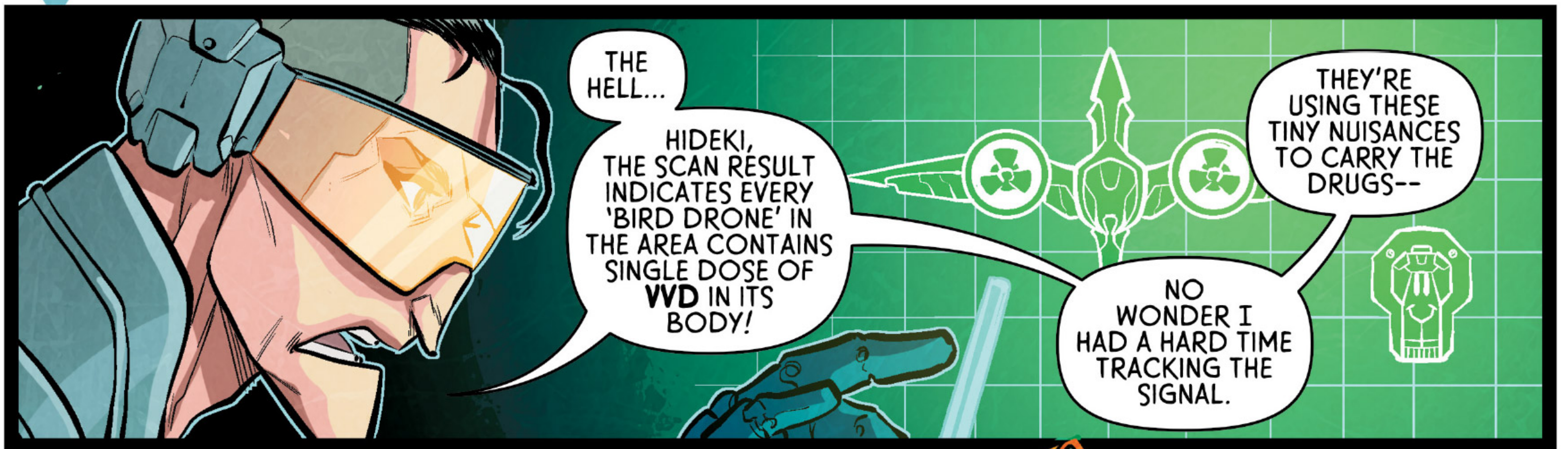
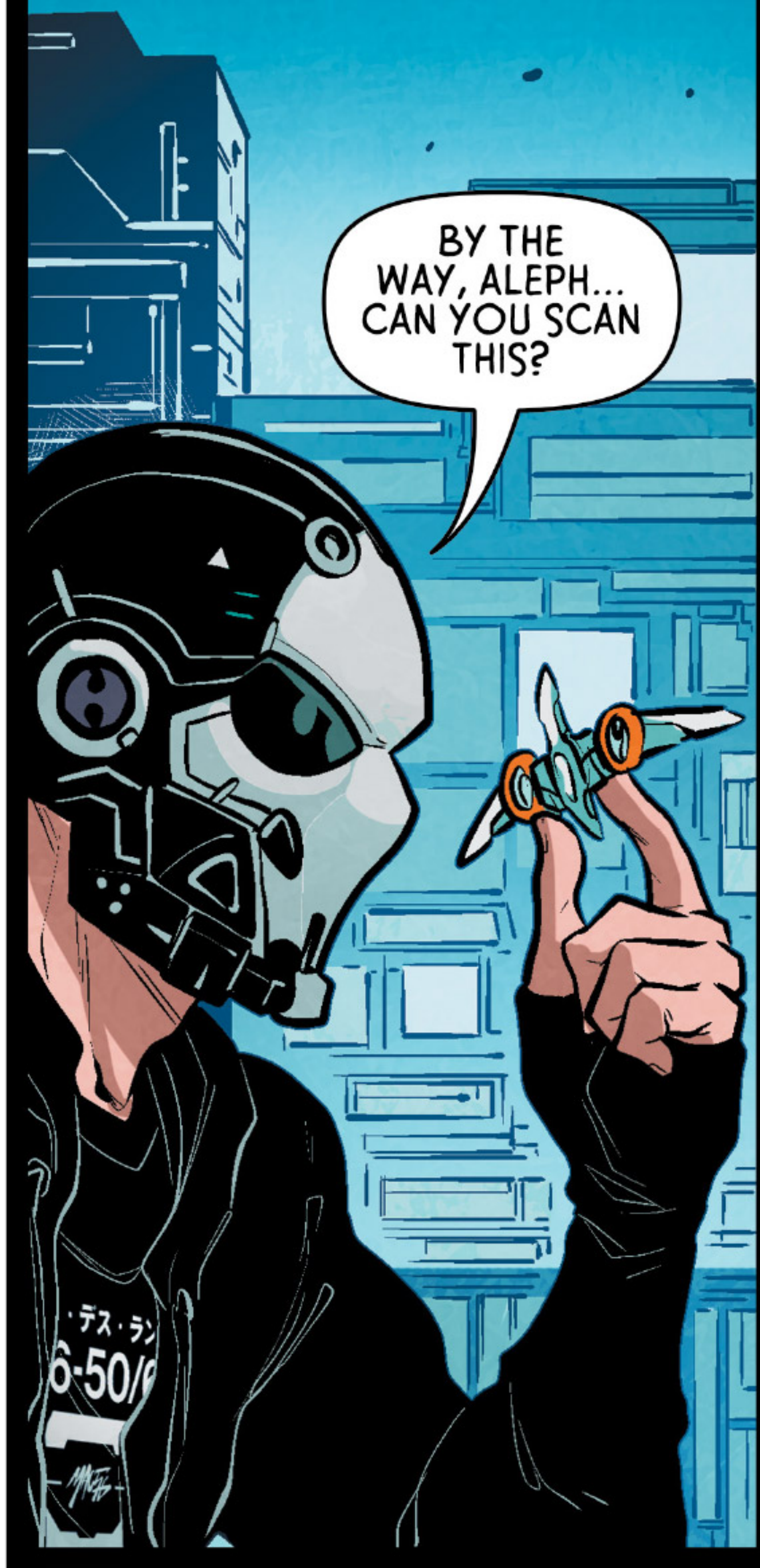
COBWEEBS SECTOR - 39

THREAT LEVEL: HIGH

- GOLD-DOCK.
- A PART OF THE BAY AREA WITH A RED LIGHT DISTRICT.



"BLACKDEATH"
THE LEGENDARY BONEHEAD RETURNS!





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-00:07-



GOTCHA!

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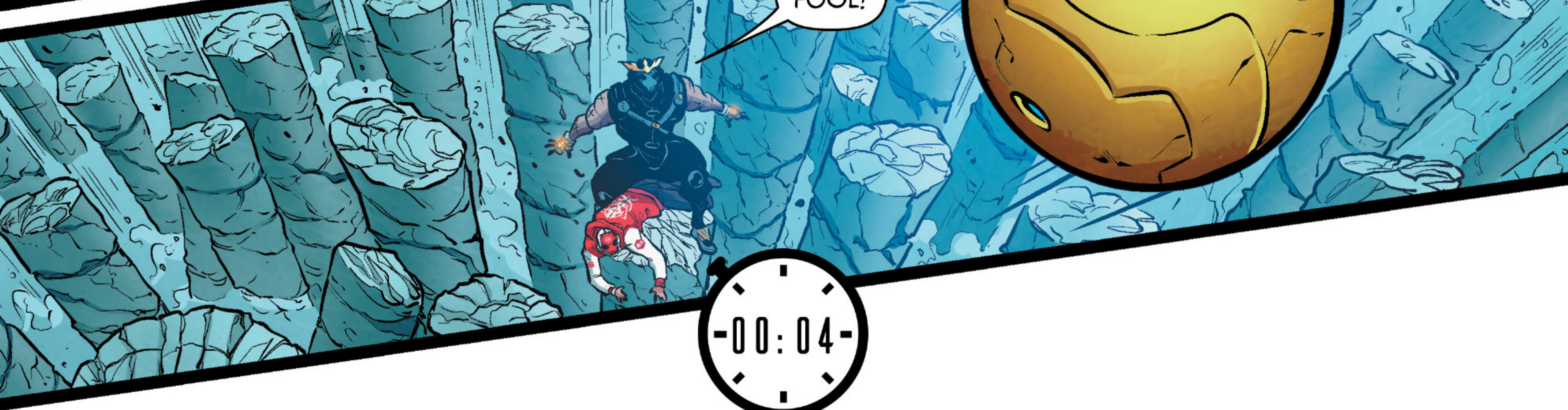


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YOU FOOL!

-00:04-



SO LONG, LITTLE BOY!

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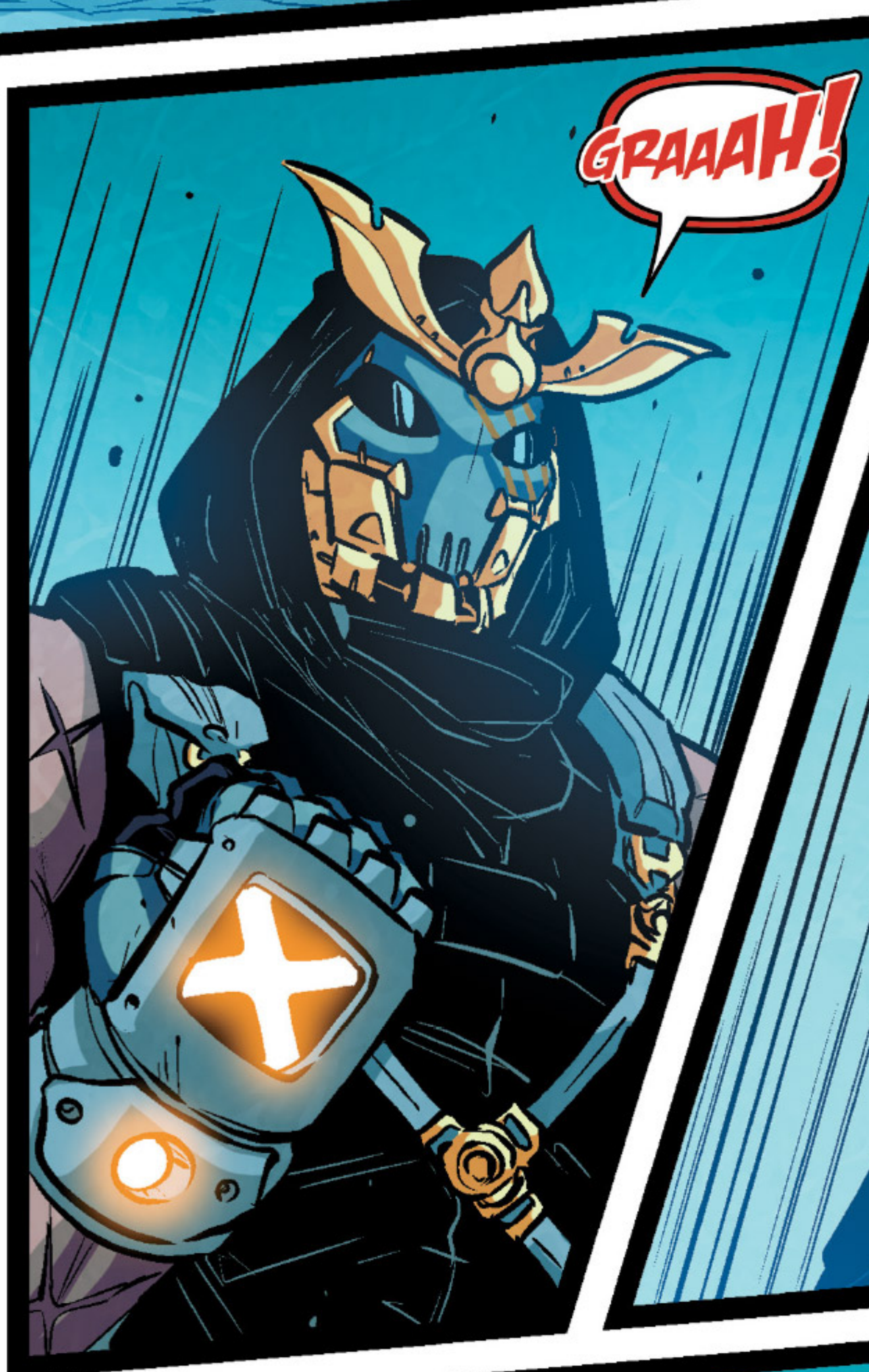
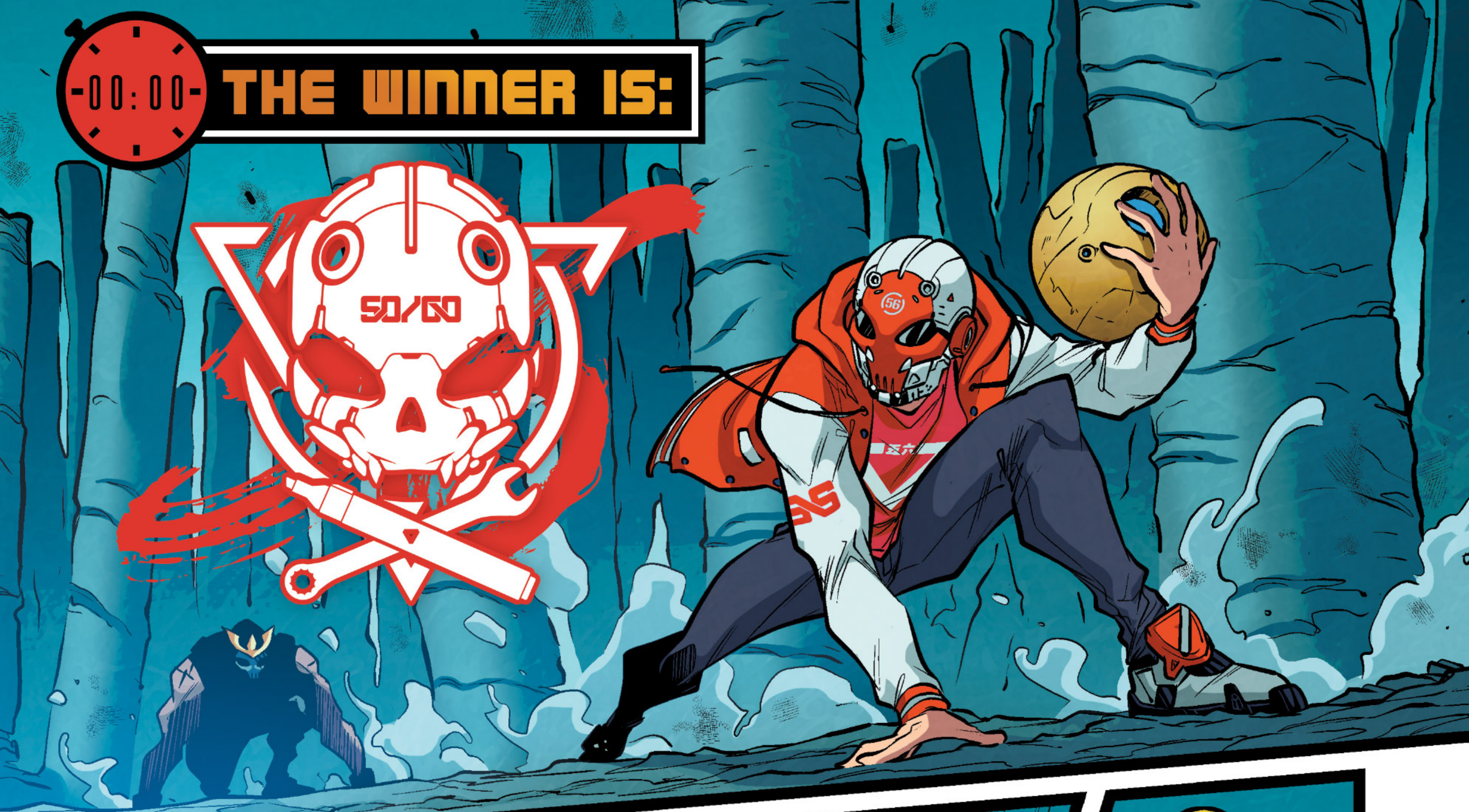
Tsp!

NO WAY!

-00:01-



00:00 THE WINNER IS:



"...MY BROTHER IS
IN TROUBLE."



"REX"

RIGHT HAND OF
DESTRUCTION!

WELL,
WELL, WELL...
WHAT DO WE
HAVE HERE...

...THE
INFAMOUS
BLACKDEATH!
HI, MY NAME
IS REX!



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SEVEN
DAYS AGO.

"MR. STRYKER.
YOU'RE AWAKE. GOOD.

"I NEED TO
ASK YOU --

"DO YOU
REMEMBER WHAT
HAPPENED IN
CUPERTINO?"

NOW, I
AM BECOME
LIFE.

THE
SAVIOR OF
WORLDS.

"I REMEMBER, IT
WAS A GOOD DAY.

"UNTIL IT
WASN'T."

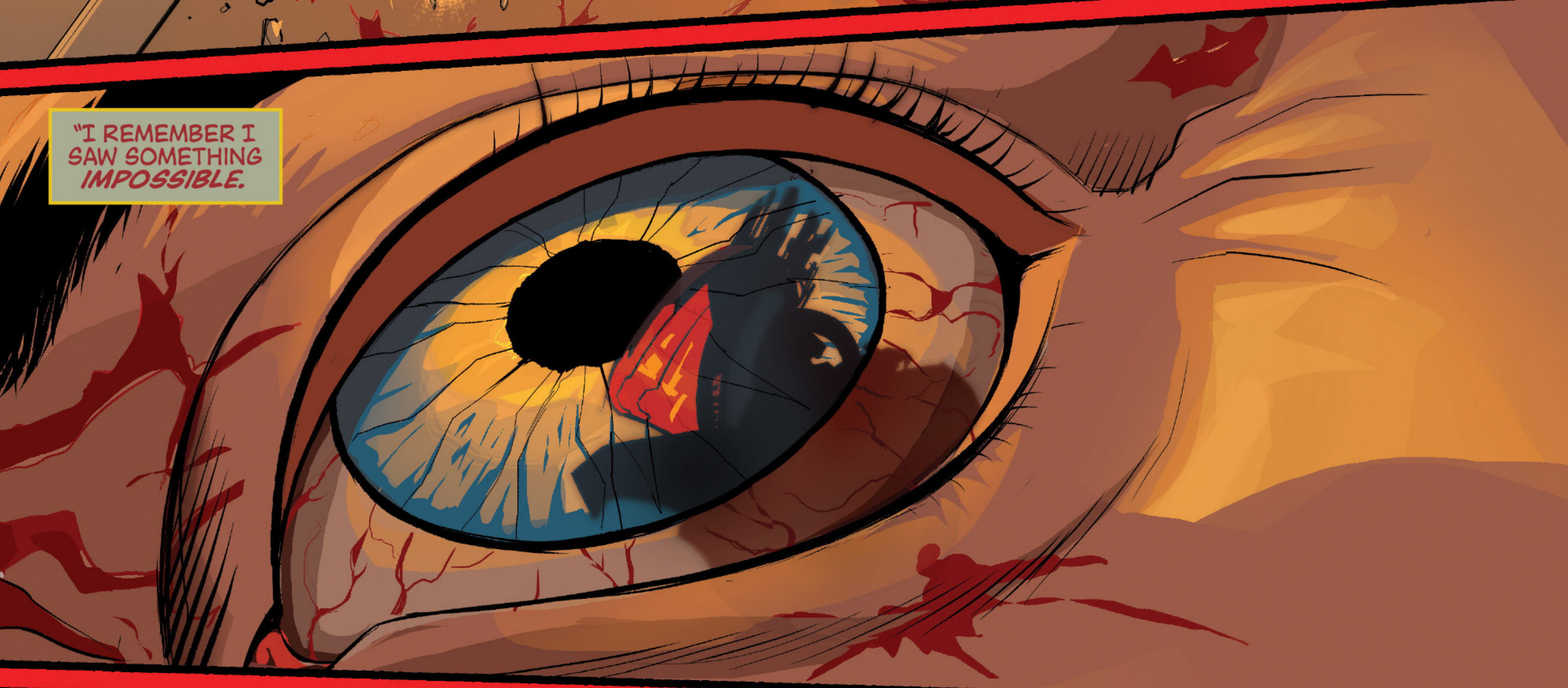
SHAKOOOOOOOOOO



"I REMEMBER
WHAT BEING
SHATTERED
FELT LIKE."



"I REMEMBER I
SAW SOMETHING
IMPOSSIBLE."



"AND IT LOOKED AT
ME LIKE IT *KNEW* ME."



"SHE *LET* ME LIVE,
DIDN'T SHE?"

"IT SEEMS THAT
WAY, YES."

"BUT ONLY
YOU."

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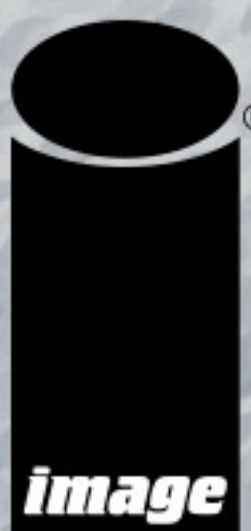
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